## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

Office of the Secretary

Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** General Counsel of the Department of Defense, Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The DoD is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces (DAC-IPAD) will take place.

**DATES:** Tuesday, March 14, 2023 - Open to the public from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. EST.

**ADDRESSES:** This public meeting will be held virtually. To receive meeting access, please submit your name, affiliation/organization, telephone number, and email contact information to the Committee at: whs.pentagon.em.mbx.dacipad@mail.mil.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dwight Sullivan, 703-695-1055 (Voice), 703-693-3903 (Facsimile), dwight.h.sullivan.civ@mail.mil (Email). Mailing address is DAC-IPAD, One Liberty Center, 875 N. Randolph Street, Suite 150, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Website: http://dacipad.whs.mil/. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda can be found on the website.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Due to circumstances beyond the control of the Designated Federal Officer, the Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces was unable to provide public notification required by 41 CFR 102-3.150(a) concerning its March 14, 2023 meeting. Accordingly, the Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.150(b), waives the 15-calendar day notification requirement.

This meeting is being held under the provisions of chapter 10 of title 5 (formerly the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C. 10)), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.140 and 102-3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: In section 546 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Pub. L. 113-291), as modified by section 537 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Pub. L. 114-92), Congress tasked the DAC-IPAD to advise the Secretary of Defense on the investigation, prosecution, and defense of allegations of rape, forcible sodomy, sexual assault, and other sexual misconduct involving members of the Armed Forces. This will be the twenty-seventh public meeting held by the DAC-IPAD. At this meeting the Committee will conduct deliberations on the 5th Annual Report; Victim Impact Statement Report; and Appellate Review Report. Prior to adjournment, the Committee will receive a briefing from the DAC-IPAD Special Projects Subcommittee.

**Agenda:** 1 p.m.-2 p.m. – Opening Remarks; Discussion, Deliberations, and Voting on 5<sup>th</sup>
Annual Report; Victim Impact Statement Report; and Appellate Review Report. 2 p.m.-3 p.m. –
Special Projects Subcommittee Update. 3 p.m. Public Meeting Adjourns. Any changes to the agenda will be posted on the DAC-IPAD website (http://dacipad.whs.mil/).

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.140 and 5 U.S.C. 1009(a)(1), the public or interested organizations may submit written comments to the DAC-IPAD about its mission and topics pertaining to this public meeting. Written comments must be received by the DAC-IPAD at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting date so that they may be made available to the DAC-IPAD members for their consideration prior to the meeting. Written comments should be submitted via e-mail to the DAC-IPAD at whs.pentagon.em.mbx.dacipad@mail.mil in the following formats: Adobe Acrobat or Microsoft Word. Please note that since the DAC-IPAD operates under the provisions of the FACA, all written comments will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection. Oral statements from the public will be permitted, though the number and length of such oral statements may be limited based on the

time available and the number of such requests. Oral statement requests must be received by the DAC-IPAD at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting date by submitting them via e-mail at whs.pentagon.em.mbx.dacipad@mail.mil.

Written Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.140 and 5 U.S.C. 1009(a)(3), interested persons may submit a written statement to the DAC- IPAD. Individuals submitting a statement must submit their statement no later than 5:00 p.m. EST, Monday, March 13, 2023 to Dwight Sullivan, 703-695-1055 (Voice), 703-693-3903 (Facsimile), dwight.h.sullivan.civ@mail.mil (Email). If a statement pertaining to a specific topic being discussed at the planned meeting is not received by Monday, March 13, 2023, prior to the meeting, then it may not be provided to, or considered by, the Committee during the March 14, 2023 meeting. The Designated Federal Officer will review all timely submissions with the DAC- IPAD Chair and ensure such submissions are provided to the members of the DAC- IPAD before the meeting. Any comments received by the DAC- IPAD prior to the stated deadline will be posted on the DAC-IPAD website (http://dacipad.whs.mil/).

Dated: March 2, 2023.

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